WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

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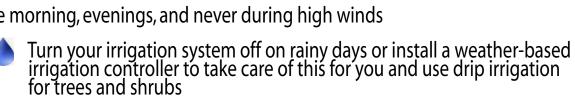
Consider a recirculating hot water system

- Install on-demand hot water dispenser
- Install low-flow toilet, shower and faucet aerators
- Fix leaky toilets and fixtures as soon as they are detected
- Take quick showers rather than full-tub baths
- Don't let the water run when brushing your teeth, washing your face or shaving
- Run your dishwasher only with full loads and only full loads whenever possible
- Stopper the sink when rinsing fruits and vegetables
- Install a high-efficiency clothes washer-this can save up to 30% on water and 50% on energy
- When cleaning fish tanks, use the dirty water to water your houseplants it's rich in nitrogen and phosphorus!
- Select correct water level for laundry loads. Better yet, only wash full loads

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When washing cars, use a trigger nozzle that automatically turns off

- Sweep, rather than hose, off sidewalks, patios, decks and driveways
- Position sprinklers so they are not spraying the house, sidewalk or street
- Use drought-tolerant plants and mulch in the garden
- Water only in the morning, evenings, and never during high winds

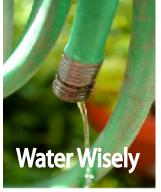


- Know where your house water shut-off valve is located and show everyone in the household for emergencies
- Cover swimming pools when not in use. An average sized pool can loose approx. 1,000 gallons of water per month when left uncovered



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